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## EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 73

The Embassy of the United States of America presents is compliments to the Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations and has the honor to propose that United States Government personnel not members of the U.S. Diplomatic Mission who are present in the Dominican Republic for a period less than six months in connection with their official duties, shall be accorded status equivalent to that provided to members of the administrative and technical staff of the U.S. Embassy under the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 1961 (the "Vienna Convention"), provided that the duty-free import privileges specified in Article 36 and 37 of the Vienna Convention shall be limited, for such United States Government personnel temporarily present in the Dominican Republic, to luggage and other reasonable personal articles accompanying such persons at the time of arrival, and to equipment, material, supplies and other property imported into the Dominican Republic by or on behalf of the United States, for the use of such personnel in performing their official duties and completing their assigned activities. It is the duty of such United States personnel to respect the laws of the Dominican Republic. United States authorities will take necessary measures to that end.

For United States Government personnel to benefit from the present agreement, the Embassy should notify the Government of the Dominican Republic, through the Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations, of the date of arrival, likely period of stay, and where the employee will carry out his function. This is so Dominican authorities will be able to fulfill satisfactorily the stipulations of this agreement.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Dominican Government, the Embassy has the honor to propose that this note together with your reply shall constitute an agreement between our two governments, effective from the date of your reply.

The Embassy of the United States of America takes this opportunity to reiterate to the Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America, [signature/initial]
Santo Domingo, July 20, 1988.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

(TRANSLATION)

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Dominican Republic

Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations

No. DEJ 24531

The Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United State of America and refers to its note No. 73 of July 20, 1988, which reads as follows:

[The Spanish translation of the United States Embassy note No. 73 of July 20, 1988, agrees in all substantive respects with the original English text.]

The Secretariat of State for Foreign Relations is pleased to inform you that the Dominican Government has approved the conclusion of this Agreement, for which this note constitutes an Agreement between our two countries that will enter into force on the date thereof.

[Initialed]

Santo Domingo, D.N., August 4, 1988

[Certificate of Translation (not printed) endorsed dated 9/28/88]